

ON-GOING CASES/ISSUES:

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NEW HOT ISSUES (FOR BRIEFING CONSIDERATION):

1. MODELING ISSUE – ETHYLENE OXIDE (EtO) MODELING - WEST VIRGINIA

On November 4, 2019, ARD shared with WVDAQ the modeling done using the Human Exposure Model that shows the maximum inhalation risk (MIR) at populated receptors for 3 high risk EtO sources (Union Carbide). The cancer risk is presented as one in a million risk and the results are 3 times higher than previously reported. WVDAQ is planning to meet with Union Carbide and request additional data and may be asking the company to conduct a full dispersion modeling run. WVDAQ also informed us that they received a FOIA request from Pam Nixon, community advocate, for their information on EtO, including any information sent by EPA. WVDAQ also said that they may want EPA help in convening a public meeting for EtO. They plan to observe a public meeting for EtO in South Carolina in December. They hope to identify specific areas they would need EPA support in the event that they host a meeting. WVDAQ has been watching YouTube videos from the Sterigenics/Atlanta public meeting and they noted both the RA and the Air Director attended. While there are no firm “asks” at this time, we did ask to get an early heads-up because we will need Headquarters support, too.

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UPCOMING EXTERNAL MEETINGS:

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PERSONNEL/ORGANIZATION:

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